Local Mandate Fiscal Impact Estimate Kentucky Legislative Research Commission 2015 Regular Session

Part I: Measure Information

Bill Request #: 71	
Bill #: HB 20 SCS	
Bill Subject/Title:	AN ACT relating to the valuation of motor vehicles for property tax purposes.
Sponsor: Rep. Hubert Collins	
Unit of Government:	XCityXCountyXUrban-CountyXCharter CountyXConsolidated LocalXGovernment
Office(s) Impacted:	Property Valuation Administrator (PVA)
Requirement: X	Mandatory Optional
Effect on Powers & Duties:	X Modifies Existing Adds New Eliminates Existing

Part II: Purpose and Mechanics

HB 20 SCS would modify the way in which the property valuation administrator (PVA), in conjunction with the state Department of Revenue, assesses motor vehicles that are 20 years old or older for purposes of the state and local property tax. The bill would establish the standard value for said vehicles as being the actual assessed value of the vehicle in its nineteenth year of age, reduced by 10% per year beyond that time. For vehicles that were not assessed in their nineteenth year, the standard value would be the average trade-in value prescribed by the relevant industry manual for the vehicle in its nineteenth year, reduced by 10% per year beyond that time.

Part III: Fiscal Explanation, Bill Provisions, and Estimated Cost

To administer the provisions of HB 20 GA, each PVA, along with the state Department of Revenue, would have to adjust their procedures and computer systems as applied to motor vehicles aged 20 years and older to ensure proper assessment. There would be some administrative burden and cost at the local level as a result. However, these burdens are not expected to be substantial because the computer systems currently in use

by PVAs and the department are capable of making this type of automatic calculation for vehicles of this age.

The SCS amends the procedures which a PVA will have to follow in the case of vehicles that will require an inspection in order to be assessed under the bill, by virtue of the applicable edition of the valuation manual being unavailable. The SCS provides that the PVA may perform an in person inspection if the vehicle's owner presents the vehicle at the PVA office, or alternatively may perform an inspection of photographs and other documentary evidence as to the vehicle's condition and value. These changes would reduce any possible increase in PVA administrative burdens and costs resulting from this bill and its impact on this class of vehicles.

HB 20 GA, and as amended by the SCS, is not expected to have a substantial impact on local government revenues, because the bill would largely codify what is the existing practice in most cases.

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